

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	Art Unit: 3625
Dr. Catherine Lin-Hendel	Examiner: Naeem U. Haq
Serial No.: 09/628,773	Office Action Mailed On:
Filed: July 29, 2000	January 23, 2007
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERACTIVE, COMPUTER-ASSISTED ON-LINE AUCTIONS	Confirmation Number:
	3830

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the outstanding Office action mailed on the date shown above (the "Office Action"). The Office Action set a shortened statutory period of three months for reply. Applicant petitions for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a)(1), and authorization is hereby granted to charge the requested extension of time fee under 37 CFR § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 50-3196. This Reply is therefore timely. If the undersigned attorney is mistaken regarding the required time extension, Applicant conditionally petitions for an additional extension

of time, as needed, and authorization is granted to charge the time extension fee required to file this Reply to the same Deposit Account. Authorization is also granted to charge additional claim fees, if any, and all other fees necessary to file this Reply, to the same Deposit Account.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.